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Some Choice Purses

For those who want something real choice we have added a few very fine purses. These goods, although expensive, are of such good material and are so well made that they are considered the cheapest in the end; when looking for something different—ask to see them. We have only six or eight, and there is no more of the same in the province. Besides these few pieces we have a very complete line of purses in all colors from \$1.50 to \$8.00.

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The Westside Store News.

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A WAIST PATTERN, a dress pattern, a skirt pattern, is a gift that is always delightful to a woman or girl; and there can be no size mistake—the pattern is made up to fit and to suit the taste of the recipient.

Check and Stripe Silks, suitable for blouses, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, and \$1.25.

All our choicest Check and Stripe Silks will be sold this week at 25% off.

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We have just received today a large stock of colored Bengali, black Taffeta, black Penn-de-Sole and black Duchesse satin.

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WHAT a world of comfort, luxury and prettiness! A thoughtful thing to give. Ladies' Silk Plaited Hose, assorted colors, 65c.

Ladies' black and colored, silk Plaited Hose, lace ankles, 65c and 75c.

Ladies' special black silk Spun Hose 1.50

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THERE are two ways of inviting you to see the Christmas collection of Belts—to tell of the many handsome ones and describe their beauties, or to tell you of the new

Dog Collar Belt, we have them, \$1.00 to \$1.75.

Plain black and tan Leather Belts, 35c to 75c.

Pretty elastic Enameled and Sequin designs 2.00

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Silk Ties, beautifully designed 35c to 75c.

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The new Flowing Silk Tie, 75c and \$1.00.

Silk Ties, Plain Colored, 50c, 75c, and \$1.00.

Furs

FASHION is again over the small furs—cluster—scarfs, collars and muffs.

A large stock of Grey Opposum Collars, from \$2 to \$5.

Muffs to match \$2 to \$4.

Lynx Collarettes \$4.50.

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Collarettes of different styles and qualities of Fur, \$6.50, \$7.50, \$10.50, \$14, and a few of those beautiful at \$16.50.

Muffs to match any of the above.

March Collarettes \$10.50.

"A Prize" Stone Marton Collarette 22.50.

A Manoeuvre in Silk Waists

COMFORT for you means business for us. The story is short, the points are sharp. 1st. We offer the largest stock of Silk Waists.

2nd. The assortment is ample to meet every taste.

3rd. The prices in Tucked Silk, \$3.50; in Satin and better Silks, \$3.50 to \$9.00.

Holiday Dress Goods

NEVER in all the years behind us have we been so well prepared to suit your tastes in holiday giving of dress patterns. Character, quality, and low figures—these are the chief points of advantage. Variety and exclusiveness come in close order.

Umbrellas for Gifts

THE pleasure of giving is partly in the choosing, and we are glad to have you look. Two special lines in Ladies' Umbrellas, "Gloria" Silk Covers, \$2.25 will not crack, steel rods and gold plate mounted handles \$3.90.

A very large stock of Silk Covered Umbrellas, good goods, at the right price, \$1.50, and a few very handsome ones at \$16.50.

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As a whole, our stock of Evening Tea Gowns has no equal in this city; at least, competent critics, not always friendly, tell us so.

The Hutcheson Co LIMITED.

The Time Has Arrived



For you to buy your Xmas Frocks. We have the very finest, all cleaned and made ready for use.

Jap Oranges, 50c. box.

Fresh Island Eggs, 40c. doz.

"Eastern" 20c. doz.

Port Wine, 50c. bottle.

Sherry, 50c. bottle.

MINCEMEAT all ready for the pie, and PLUM PUDDING all ready for the table.

Morgan's Eastern Oysters

Dixie H. Ross & Co.

A HOME CAN BE PURCHASED with \$50 cash and 100 monthly instalments of \$12.50 each, without interest. Five-room cottage; double front lot, on car line; fifteen minutes' walk from postoffice.

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Look here, 3 lots and 6-roomed cottage in good repair right in town for \$1,500. Another lot and 6-roomed cottage close in for \$1,400.

Lot 50x184 ft., with good cottage, barn, fruit, etc., Fernwood road, close to Yates street. There is a bargain here for you. Also many others, as well as cheap building lots all over the city.

New 6-roomed cottage to let \$10; new 4-roomed cottage to let, \$6.

Coal, wood, fire and life insurance. Your patronage solicited. Money to loan.

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Are you looking for bargains in real estate, either improved or unimproved? If so, we have what will suit you. Inspect our list of properties for sale before purchasing. It will pay you to do so.

Do you want to borrow money? If so, we have plenty to loan at low rates of interest.

We are general agents for the old reliable Phoenix Fire Insurance Co.

If you have any business in our line we solicit your patronage. Notaries Public and Conveyancers.

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Leather Travelling Cases. Toilet Cases, Perfume, etc.

Clarence Block, Corner of Yates and Douglas Sts.

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NEW VANCOUVER COAL CO., LTD.
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SAMUEL M. ROBINS, SUPERINTENDENT.

Coal Mined by White Labor.

New Wellington Coal

Washed Nuts, \$4.25 per ton
Sack and Lumps, \$5.50 per ton

Delivered to any part of the city.

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REAL ESTATE AND INSURANCE AGENTS

5 roomed cottage and lot, James Bay, \$1,500
10 roomed house, brick, all modern conveniences, price only 2,300
A magnificent residence, two story, hot and cold water, electric light, heated hot water, with land, 7,500
Beaver Creek Bay avenue, 1,150
1 mile building lot, Belleville street, James Bay, overlooking harbor, 1,500
5, 10, 15 or 20 acre blocks of good land suitable for chicken ranches or small farms, near city, from \$100 per acre up.
20 acres Cordova Bay, partly cleared, 5 roomed cottage, fruit trees, good well, 1/2 mile of sea frontage, price only 1,800
Splendid chicken ranch near McPherson's, worth enquiring about 1,500

Fire, Life and Accident Insurance.

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THE CITY AUCTION MART, 73 AND 75, YATES ST.

Thursday Next, December 21, at 2 and 7 p.m.

Under instructions I will sell by public auction as above valuable

Port Angeles City Lots
SIZE 50x140.

Must be sold, absolutely no reserve. Do not miss this grand opportunity.

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THE CITY AUCTIONEER.

B. C. POTTERY CO., LTD.
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Manufacturers of vitrified, salt-glazed sewer pipe and sanitary fittings, flower pots, agricultural drain tile, fire proofing tile, fire bricks, re-pressed bricks, etc., etc.

N.B.—Reduced prices on flower pots.

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ANALYST AND CHEMIST
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Flour Sacks For Sale.
50 lbs. sacks, 25c per doz. 200 lbs. sacks, 50c per doz., either jute or cotton. At

M. R. SMITH & CO.,
PORT STREET.

Makes Work a Pleasure.



Does Cold Weather Suggest Tools for Cutting Wood?

Our saws for easy labor, our axes for rapid cutting, wedges for assisting with tough logs—whatever you want, you may depend on the articles we sell. Perfectly tempered tools sold at right prices.

Nicholles & Renouf, Ltd.
61 YATES STREET, VICTORIA, B.C.

To make room for NEW STOCK we are selling a number of small lots of

J. W. MELLOR,
76-78 PORT STREET

FINE WALL PAPER
AT GREATLY REDUCED PRICES.

LADIES
will find in our large stock the

Newest Ideas in Seasonable FOOTWEAR

In Boys' and Girls' School Boots we are offering some splendid values.

SPECIAL: Boys' Boston Thigh Gum Boots, \$3.00 per pair

Men's Hip Gum Boots, \$4.00 up.

THE PATERSON SHOE CO., Ltd
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A shipment of American black bass was made to France, and they have flourished so marvelously that they are common articles of diet in the hotels and restaurants. When the bass were introduced the French streams were practically deserted.

Direct . . . From . . . Spain . . .

Connoisseur Clusters.
Imperial Cabinets.
4-Crown Clusters 1/2 Boxes
London Layers, etc.

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SEELY'S PERFUMES

CUT GLASS BOTTLES. IN ELEGANT SILK-LINED BOXES.

Prices range from 50c. to \$5.00

See our stock.

JOHN COCHRANE,
N.W. Corner of Yates and Douglas Streets.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS
That delight the hearts of men and boys.

WE HAVE THEM
Kodaks, Footballs, Golf Clubs and Balls, Boxing Gloves, Punching Bags, Fire Arms and Fishing Tackle.

John Barnsley & Co.,
115 Government Street.

ALFALFA
Just received a lot of Alfalfa Hay. The best feed for milking cows.

Fine Lot of Chickens.

55 Broad St. Hartman & Co.

GO-CARTS, CABS AND Dolls of all kinds

WAGONS AND IRON TOYS

Hastie's Fair, 77 Government St.

COAL AND WOOD:—Baker & Colvill, wharf and office, Belleville street, James Bay; telephone 407; city office, Swinerton & Oddy's, telephone 401.

Military Critic's Opinion.

The Morning Post's military critic says in today's issue: "The British

Where Are the Guns?

It is Rumored in Durban That They Have Been Recovered.

Report Says Volunteers Brought Them Safely to the British Camp.

Non-Commissioned Officers and Men Killed at Colenso Number 137.

(Associated Press.)

London, Dec. 20.—It still seems doubtful whether the guns General Buller abandoned at Colenso are in possession of the Boers.

An Associated Press dispatch from Durban, filed on the evening of the battle but only now received, states that the guns were covered by the heavy guns of General Hildyard's brigade, occupying an entrenched position.

The dispatch adds that the Boers have thus far not attempted to cross the river and carry off the guns.

Two Hundred and Eight Prisoners.

Advices to the Associated Press from Pretoria, under the same date, say that an official Boer dispatch reports two guns, 13 wagons and a quantity of ammunition captured, besides 208 prisoners.

A Surprise.

Further accounts of the Tugela River battle emphasize the ignorance of the British intelligence department in regard to the disposition of the Boer forces. The British were not aware that the Boers were entrenched along a series of low lying hills immediately northward of Colenso bridge until a staggering fire compelled them to retreat, when the attack seemed about to succeed.

The Boers also were in greater strength than anticipated.

Outraged by Boer Artillery.

It becomes clearer that the British guns were useless in attempting to get within effective range of the Boers' artillery, showing the latter out-ranged the British ordnance, which in spite of superiority, was wholly inadequate to reply to the long range guns.

War Office Denounced.

The British war office comes in for a scathing denunciation from the Times today for not providing effective artillery. It is pointed out in this connection that the longer ranged naval guns participating in the same attack escaped.

There was no news this morning to enlighten the general situation.

New Zealanders Under Fire.

The war office reported that Gen. French reconnoitered northward of Aundel on December 18th. After shelling Jansfontein farm, three miles eastward of the Boer position, the New Zealanders advanced and occupied the farm. The Boer guns then opened and the Boers advanced to the attack, so General French ordered a retirement.

Military Critic's Opinion.

The Morning Post's military critic says in today's issue: "The British

government in June, July and August, instead of getting the army ready and on the spot, was trying to polish up its conscience. Even in September it could not bring itself to send more than 10,000 men to South Africa."

Lord Roberts's Successor.

The Globe says there are rumors that the Duke of Connaught will succeed Gen. Lord Roberts as commander-in-chief of the Irish forces.

Subscriptions to Volunteer Fund.

Lord Mayor A. J. Newton announced today that £25,000 had been subscribed by large city firms to defray the expenses of a thousand volunteers among the city corps. Lord Rothschild has given £5,000 of this amount, and Mr. Chas. Wilson, the Hull ship-owner, has promised a fully equipped vessel, while is equivalent to a gift of £15,000, as a transport for these volunteers.

FROM NATAL.

According to Rumor Current at Durban General Buller Has Recovered His Guns.

London, Dec. 20.—A special dispatch from Durban, Natal, dated Saturday, December 16th, says it is rumored that Buller called for volunteers to recover the abandoned guns and that a party issued from the camp after midnight and brought in the guns, which were uninjured.

Casualties at Colenso.

London, Dec. 20.—Revised lists of the British casualties at Colenso show that 137 non-commissioned officers and men were killed.

IN THE WEST.

Situation at Mafeking—Bombardment Continued—Colonists Threaten to Attack the Railway.

London, Dec. 20.—The latest news from Mafeking, dated December 19th, says a desultory bombardment was continuing, and that sharpshooters were engaged in sniping rifle mornings and evenings.

Africander's Protest.

London, Dec. 20.—A Cape Town dispatch dated Saturday, December 17th, says:

"Five hundred Aborigines of the Victoria West district have perfected an apparently anti-British organization there, and as individuals have openly expressed disloyalty and have threatened to attack the railway station, which is on the direct line between Capetown and Durban. The Aborigines Bundles, at a meeting there, passed a resolution that the troops in the vicinity irritate the farmers dangerously. The meeting proclaimed its loyalty, but declared the conduct of the troops forced the people to use expressions and commit acts which were capable of being interpreted as disloyal."

Canada's Second Contingent.

Montreal, Dec. 20.—A military man in the confidence of the government just returned from Ottawa says the military authorities informed him that the second contingent has been composed of 1,004 men, 946 horses, the units being three squadrons of cavalry and mounted infantry, and three squadrons of field artillery. Col. Drury of "A" battery, Kingston, is to command the artillery, and Col. Leonard, the mounted infantry. Both colonels are now with the first contingent in South Africa. It is understood two squadrons of mounted cavalry will be taken from the Northwest Mounted Police. The artillery is to be taken from "A" and "B" batteries.

Excitement at Montreal.

Montreal, Dec. 20.—Local military circles have been stirred by a demand from Ottawa for the corrected names and addresses of Canadians at the front, which is taken as indicating an engagement.

Annals on Mr. Chamberlain.

Abouche, Dec. 20.—Mr. James Bryce, M.P., in a speech here today, severely attacked Mr. Joseph Chamberlain. He denounced his "archduke manner and whole conduct."

Orders for Canadian Hay.

Toronto, Dec. 20.—A Globe telegram cable says the British war office has ordered for another three thousand tons of Canadian hay yesterday.

In Favor of Arbitration.

New York, Dec. 20.—Lecard, Charles Van Noppen, a member of the Dutch-Netherlands Union, arrived here today with an appeal of the union to nations represented at the Hague, asking England to submit the South African question to arbitration. Signatures are also being secured in Continental countries.

Movement of French Troops.

New York, Dec. 20.—A dispatch from Port of Spain says France has sent 5,000 troops to Guadeloupe and Martinique. It is thought that this is an outcome of the Hon. Joseph Chamberlain's Lancaster speech.

Arrested at Rochester.

Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 20.—Norman P. Everitt, who inserted an advertisement asking "wrecked" young men wishing to see service with the British in South Africa, to communicate with him, was arrested last night. When arrested he pleaded not guilty. He was fixed at \$600 for arraignment on Jan. 4th.

The Seizure of Flour.

New York, Dec. 20.—A. T. Womey, of the New York Produce Exchange and the Pennsylvania Milling and Export Co., sent a protest to Washington today against the seizure by the British of flour sent to South Africa by his firm.

We are Prompt, We are Careful and We are Always at Our Post.

Campbell's Prescription Store

CORNER OF FORT AND DOUGLAS STREETS
—VICTORIA, B.C.

For Pure Drugs and Chemicals.

Ten Thousand Mounted Men

To Be Sent to South Africa—Recruited From Yeomanry and Civilians.

Details of the Fighting at Tugela River—Buller Was in Command.

London, Dec. 20.—A force which Gen. Buller is credited with having demanded all along as an essential of success in South Africa, namely, ten thousand mounted infantry, is to be mobilized.

The war office this morning issued an order to the effect that the government had decided to raise for South Africa a mounted infantry force to be called "Imperial Yeomanry," and to be recruited from Yeomanry Volunteers and civilians possessing the requisite qualifications. Enlistment will be for one year, or during the continuance of the war. The men must be between 20 and 35 years old and of equal physique to the ordinary cavalry soldiers. Officers and men are to provide their own horses and to wear neutral cloth, shooting jackets, not necessarily uniform, felt hats, breeches and gaiters. All must be good riders and marksmen.

The same order invites every Volunteer regiment that is allied with a regular battalion serving at the front to supply a full company, which will take the place of the mounted infantry of the regiment.

These arrangements are expected to result in a considerable force. The enrolled strength of the Yeomanry forces, which originated in the troublous period of the French revolution, is now 10,433. Their services have never been called in war before.

London Volunteers.

Lord Mayor Newton is raising a force of 1,000 Volunteers among the city corporations. The large city firms are contributing the necessary expenses. Col. Sir Howard Vincent, commander of the Queen's Westminster Volunteers, has also offered to raise a regiment of a thousand Yeomanry marksmen.

The enthusiasm of Volunteer enlistment continues and promises to give the government ample material.

Ninety per cent. of the members of the Honourable Artillery Company of London have volunteered for service in South Africa. Two-thirds of the Inns of Court volunteers, composed of barristers and solicitors, have likewise tendered their services.

Tugela River Fight.

London, Dec. 19.—All the newspapers emphasize the reports arriving regarding the fight at Tugela River are severely censured and it is still impossible to get an accurate idea of the battle.

From the latest accounts, however, it appears that Gen. Buller was in personal command.

Much anxiety is caused by the fact that the war office has not yet received a full list of the casualties at Tugela River.

Chiefly Camp, Natal, Friday, Dec. 15.—The relief column continued its advance from Chiefly today, intending to assault the Boer positions which were known to be very strong to the westward and northwest of Colenso.

During the two preceding days the Boers had allowed themselves to be bombarded without conceding to reply with a single shot. They further gave up an hour's opening this afternoon without an exchange, when suddenly they belched out a stream of fire from all their entrenchments, besides opening

A Fearful Cannonade.

with all their quick-firing guns, field and siege guns which were posted from end to end of their position.

When their presence and actual positions had been determined, the British Natal Brigade commenced shelling all the ridges north of the town, with marvellous accuracy. All this time the artillery attached to Gen. Buller's division was busy among the entrenchments on the hills on the British left, under cover of which the Irish infantry brigade marched out in extended order to cross the river and attack.

Undoubtedly aiming at this battery the Boers sent several shells near the ambulance train, which was forced to change its position.

While this was transpiring, the field artillery on the right were busy shelling the ridges of the Boer left flank, their excellent practice attracting the attention of the Boers, who retained with a scorching fire, almost demolishing all the guns and stampeding the gun carriage horses.

England and Delagoa Bay.

London, Dec. 20.—The Standard hints editorially this morning that if Portugal continues to allow supplies of war material and foreign volunteers to reach the Transvaal through Delagoa Bay, England will have something to say in the matter.

It will be found an excellent remedy for all headache and other ailments. Thousands of letters from people who have used them prove this fact. Try them.

Where is Mr. Naylor?

Fails to Appear at the Methodist Ministers' Meeting in Seattle.

Rev. S. S. Sulliger Makes Known the Facts of the Unsubstantiated Case.

It appears that Rev. Mr. Naylor, who was expected to appear before a conference of Methodist ministers in Seattle on Monday has disappeared.

The Seattle Post-Intelligencer of Tuesday says:

"The Methodist ministers at Seattle sat expectant at the regular Monday morning meeting in the First Methodist Episcopal church yesterday. They awaited the coming of the Rev. Isaac Naylor, evangelist, who had been summoned to appear and answer the charges made against him. But no Mr. Naylor appeared, either in the body or in the spirit, though the rumor is still current that he recently arrived in the city. The ministers do not know where the evangelist is, though he was last heard from a few weeks ago at Victoria, B. C., when, after the sensational breaking up of a Salvation Army meeting he was conducting, he declared his purpose to return to Seattle and refute the charges. The ministers have almost abandoned the hope that he will come.

"When Rev. Mr. Naylor left Seattle, he announced his intention of going to Astoria, Or., to hold a revival, but he was next heard of in Victoria. It was after he had gone that his alleged misdoings became known here, and a letter was sent to Astoria by the committee appointed to investigate the charges, calling him back for an explanation. The date of this letter was November 10 last. A second letter was sent, but no reply has been received from either one. Of course, being in Victoria, Rev. Mr. Naylor could not reply from Astoria, and it has been learned that stacks of letters are piled up there awaiting his coming.

"While it has not been the intention of the local Methodist ministers, or their special committee, to condemn Evangelist Naylor without a full and fair hearing, at the same time the position they took in deciding to demand an explanation has all along, it is claimed, been fortified by white and black. The evangelist has been on the ground before, up in New Whatcom, and information of an alleged deserted wife and children came over to this country from England, early in October last. Rev. Dr. Sankler, editor of the Christian Advocate, published in New York city, was the first to receive it. Then it traveled to Jesse Bowman Young, at St. Louis, Mo., editor of the Central Christian Advocate, and thence to the coast and Puget Sound.

"The following document, giving names, dates and particulars of the divorce and the allegations against Rev. Mr. Naylor, has been in the hands of the committee several weeks. It was suppressed until yesterday morning, when it was read at the meeting, and the Post-Intelligencer secured a copy of it. It is in the form of a letter from Rev. S. S. Sulliger, of New Whatcom, to a well-known pastor of this city:

"Jesse Bowman Young, editor Central Christian Advocate, in a note dated Dec. 25, 1898, says that Rev. Charles Garret, a Congregational pastor in London (England), has written Dr. Buckley: 'Isaac Naylor is travelling about and living with a Miss Houser, the woman he introduced as his wife. His lawful wife is living in England and has five children to support. He is unworthy of the confidence and recognition of Christian men, and that these facts can be fully verified.'

"Accused in Whatcom.

"Paragon First Methodist Episcopal Church, New Whatcom, Wash., Nov. 24, 1898.

"The above came to me for investigation. Mr. Naylor being at that time engaged in union revival services in this city. I sent for him to meet me at the parsonage. He failed to come. I then met him at the preachers' meeting and, in the presence of the Rev. Oscar A. Smith, pastor of Trinity Methodist Episcopal church, this city, informed him of the complaints. He declined to answer until the names of those making the accusations were given, indicating his intention of commencing legal proceedings against them. Proceeding of the matter brought from him an admission that he had been divorced from his wife in England and married to the lady he was now travelling with.

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According to news received by the steamer Danube from Dawson the passengers of the wrecked river steamer W. S. Stratton, which was jammed under the ice, on their arrival at Dawson reported some details of her doom. The captain, John Riley, fireman of the steamer, described the loss of the craft, one of the passengers said: "We suddenly came to a dead stop and found ourselves in an ice-pan. We had not been in it more than two seconds when it broke, and the water and ice piled up in mighty confusion, came down upon us like a tidal wave. The ice struck us a tremendous blow, and we went over to starboard. Part of the passengers slipped the engines being the first to travel, leaving only gallant John Riley.

"Taking up the narrative, Riley said in describing his experiences in the wrecked vessel: 'The captain came before and asked me whether I would stick to the ship. I told him I would stay as long as I did. By this time most of the passengers had left. There was a momentary lull. Then another big rush came down on us, and the boat after a shudder, gave another heavy lurch to starboard. The pressure was something fearful, and the ice began to burst the sides in, the water coming in rapidly by her lower deck.

"Two bells had sounded to go astern. I got her going when Mr. Leroy came to my assistance. By that time she was listing heavily, and filling rapidly with water and ice. The captain and the crew began to turn over, and up went one side and down went the other.

"I made a rush for the ladder, but didn't get up. The cargo shifted with a crash, and boxes and bales choked up the exit. The water was almost up to my shoulders. I made a jump for the window, the steam was blinding and scorching, but I got through. The next second a big box blocked up the window. The fire went out with a dull roar.

"As she turned over I crawled up her side until I was standing upon her bottom. I made my way down to the stern. The captain, the mate, Miss Rose Euphemia, the doctor and Miss Chapman, who went up from Victoria, were just leaving the sinking boat. I jumped into the darkness, not knowing whether I was jumping on to the ice or into the water. Ultimately I reached the beach, and we made a fire and stayed an hour. The captain and mate went with a lantern, the Selyen station, where help was obtained.

"They ultimately reached Dawson after a trying journey, being almost without food most of the way.

"The description of the party drowned in the Yukon on November 3rd, as given by Riley, was as follows:

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News was brought by the steamer Danube of the claim of a long lost mine, similar to the "Lost Rooker." C. H. Harrison says: "During November, he was prospecting in Wrangell narrows and met a man who was hunting and trapping for beaver. This man informed Harrison that while exploring a creek on the mainland, which appeared favorable for beaver trapping, he noticed some old blazes on the trees, which, out of curiosity, he decided to follow. From the character of the blazes they appeared to be 20 or 30 years old, and after following the trail, he came to an old cabin which showed signs of decay and decay. The cabin was nearly rotted away and appeared to have been covered with tent. In going up the creek he found that at some ancient period a dam had been constructed and the creek had been turned, and so well had the work been done with logs and rocks that it was still intact, and the river had cut another channel.

"Nine claims had been located, and from the wear of age the notches had nearly grown out, where it was evident that many years ago the location notices had been written. The claims were about 1,500 feet in length. At the head of the river are the remains of a dead glacier. Old silver boxes were also found, which, from their rotten condition, appeared to have been about 30 feet long, and also different boxes, where the miners had evidently sunk to bedrock."

The hunter, whose name Mr. Harrison would not disclose, claimed that he was not familiar with mining, and not having a man did not proceed for gold. Two old shovels, with the handles rotted off, were in the old log house, which presented the appearance of having been the scene of some tragedy enacted many years ago.

Arrangements have been made by Mr. Harrison, with the hunter to guide him to the mine next spring. He also made enquiries at Wrangell which brought out the fact that the hunter was a reliable and trustworthy man. The oldest inhabitant of the vicinity of Wrangell, however, can give no further information as to any party having mined at the lost mine.

Mr. Harrison says the work on the dam was done about 20 years ago, and the ground was either poor and abandoned, or it was rich and the miners, evidently Russians, made a stake in a short time and returned home never letting out their secret, or some unfortunate overtook them and buried their secret with their death.

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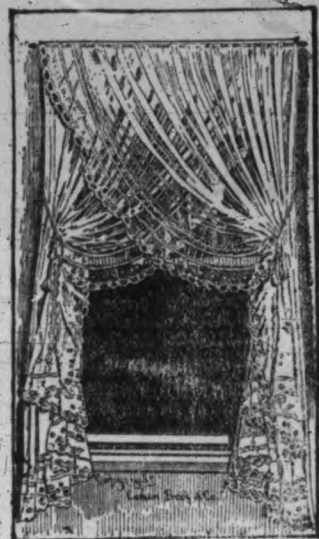


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From Robson to Greenwood

The Trip on the Columbia and Western Extension Described.

Second Article Suggested by the C. P. R. Business Men's Excursion.

When the members of the Business Men's Excursion, organized and carried out by the management of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, awoke at Robson on the morning of Thursday, December 7th, they found everything prepared for their comfort in the matter of a hearty breakfast, but the weather conditions were none too favorable, for there was a thick layer of sloshy snow on the ground, a raw biting wind was blowing and the downfall of rain and sleet was incessant.

But these meteorological conditions mattered little, for the good boat Minto went over to West Robson and brought back to join the others on the trip over the newly opened line a contingent of about 200 of the keenest, most wide-awake and thoroughly compensable business men from the rapidly growing centres of trade in the Northwest—Robson, and Rossland. Thus augmented, and after having exchanged comments on the usual winter character, the whole party boarded the cars and what proved perhaps the most interesting part of the whole long journey was commenced.

And in passing it should be mentioned that to one who had not been at Robson for two or three years—to be exact not for two years and a half—the change which has come over the place was very striking. The 200 cars laden with all kinds of freight en route to the Boundary country or waiting to be ferried across for conveyance to the mining towns on the other side, bore evidence to the fact that an enormous trade has already been developed in that region, which but thirty months ago was regarded as well served with the comparatively meagre transportation facilities then existing. Go back a little further, to the year 1894, when the writer first visited that country and the change between things present and past becomes absolutely astounding.

And even to the uninitiated, the enormous amount of work the company has carried out at Robson is apparent. The wharves, ships, ferry transfers and the conveniences which exist for handling the traffic from boat to train and vice versa expeditiously, cannot fail to impress even the casual observer, and one was inclined to lose oneself in speculating upon the subject of the total expense represented by the completed work even

at that one transfer place, commencing with the preliminaries of survey, engineering work, etc., and coming down to the payment of the last dollar of wages to the men who have carried out the work to its present state of completion.

But, "all aboard" is the cry, and one is not unwilling to find shelter from that bitter wind and searching drizzle aboard the comfortable tourist cars which have been ferried down from the main line for our accommodation. Here again the hospitality of the company is in evidence and everything is as merry on board the train as good fare and pleasant company can make it. There is no dining car it is true, but the obliging porters, under the supervision of "Sid Sykes," are ever on the alert to stave off the pangs of hunger by supplying the travellers with sandwiches and other creature comforts. "Get seats if you can on the north side of the cars," had been the sage advice of Mr. Allan Cameron, advice which the chroniclers of the trip hastened to avail themselves of. And taking advantage of the local knowledge possessed by some of the newly joined newspaper men, some of them hailed from Grand Forks and Greenwood, and of the presence on board, of the assistant engineer of the Columbia & Western, Mr. John G. Sullivan, lots of interesting and valuable data is secured while the engine, whose exhaust is throbbing, throbbing, throbbing, in the upward climb, bears us on the journey to some of the grandest engineering and spectacular sights to be seen on the continent of America.

Gradually climbing, there is opened out a panorama of scenic beauty, the description of which exhausts all the adjectives owned by the whole body of newspaper men. The scenery en route is magnificent. "A sea of mountains" is the expression that one inevitably recalls as one comes in view of peak after peak, each rising higher and stand-

ing more majestically than the last. Or, as the eye takes in the magnificent lakes lying confined between perpendicular cliffs, timber covered to the water's edge, and yet farther in the distance sees the watercourses stretching away, winding hither and thither between the mountains, silence, the silence of awed admiration of nature's grandeur takes the place of the wonder which calls forth exclamatory expressions from the members of the party.

Upward and still upward, skirting the lower Arrow Lake and ascending the Bulldog mountain, until at the end of 28 miles the passengers are given an opportunity to inspect the gigantic work of tunnel driving upon which a large gang of men are now employed. And here must be said a word of compliment to the enterprise of the management of the great railway, under whose auspices we are travelling. Having made up their mind to get into the Boundary country, engineering advice was to the effect that the nearest and most practicable route lay through, and not over, the mountain.

Four hundred and fifty feet from the summit of the mountain, that tunnel, which, when completed, will be 3,000 feet long, is being driven, but although there are eight drills employed at either end of the great excavation, the two gangs, approaching each other in the bowels of the earth, the delay in completing the road if the tunnel were waited for did not suit the go-ahead methods of the company. "It may well be," said they, "that the nearest and most feasible route is through the mountain, but we must get the sooner than can be done with the employment of every man who can find room to work. Let the line go over the mountain; we shall reach our objective point earlier—we will use the tunnel when it is completed."

Think of it. To save the few months' time in arriving at their destination in the Boundary district a switchback is built over the summit of the Bulldog, a switchback five miles in length with a 4 per cent. grade, having six legs on the east side and five on the west, more striking evidence of the power of the engineer to triumph over difficulties even than is the famous "loop" on the main line of the same road in the Rockies. And so, 4,000 feet above the level of the sea the train backs up one incline, and is pulled by that Titanic engine over up another, and as the passengers look below they see far down the line along which they came a little while before, almost resembling a toy railway, so great already is the distance accomplished. And everywhere, snow.

The summit reached, a little innocent "diversion" is furnished by a boxcar dangle of donkey-hue, who, championed by the cavalier of cavaliers, the popular traffic manager of the E. & N., holds her own right valiantly in a little snow-balling contest, rewarding her valiant companion in arms with a fond caress as the train moves off on its descent to the other side of the Bulldog.

Down we go, and now we see the lines we have recently traversed away up above us, and still we see the same ex-

cellent engineering work, the same evidence of enormous expenditure in the erection of trestles, snow sheds, and in the excavation of a series of narrow shelves upon which the train glides and from which the passengers are favored with more wonderful scenic effects. Down we go to Dog Creek, and here it is but little above the level of the sea and then another strenuous climb to the summit of the divide between the water-sheds of the Columbia river and Christina lake. Who will ever forget that view of the charming and appropriately named Christina lake? Hundreds of feet below the track that lovely body of water, close hemmed by giant mountains, winds away, miles in the distance.

Then comes another marvel of engineering—a magnificent Porcupine creek pierces the main divide and has to be crossed by a 180-foot trestle, in the construction of which a million feet of lumber was consumed, and thence we go down again through miniature passes to Christina lake again, once more at sea level.

Passing Gladstone on the way, the distributing point of the Burnt Basin district, where many promising locations have been made, we reach Cascade City, at the foot of beautiful Christina and at the head of the Kettle river. Here more engineering triumphs are afoot. To utilize the water power of the Cascade falls a giant dam is being constructed. At a moderate computation 20,000 horse power can be secured from this source, and this magnificent dower—less than which has assured the future of many cities—coupled with the knowledge of the rich mineral deposits within easy distance, and the charming location, with which the place is favored, makes the

average resident of Cascade—bustling, ambitious Cascade—optimistic in the highest degree. We are here 50 miles from Robson, almost on the geographical boundary between the two great countries, and in the near vicinity there is a magnificent stretch of cultivable land, assuring the thousands of miners who will ere long throng the country, every advantage in the matter of enjoyment of the produce of the farm, the orchard and the garden.

But only a short stop here and on the train goes, across the forks of the mighty Columbia and with a westward turn along the Kettle river until Grand Forks is reached. Here is a hearty welcome and the citizens turn out to no honor to their guests even for the few minutes for which we stay, for it is the intention to run through to Greenwood to-night and reserve the inspection of Grand Forks and her rival city Columbia, on the return trip.

Before reaching Grand Forks and after leaving it the line traverses a level grass country where substantial fences, barns and farm houses are seen on every hand, and where horses and cattle are seen grazing on the snow-touched fields, for heretofore the fall of the heavy has as yet been but light. Out on the prairie the C.P.R. station has been located—no charge of partiality shall be laid against the company by either of those two competitors in the race for progress.

But off again, across the forks of the Kettle river and another stiff climb ahead, 11 miles to Elkhart, 3,000 feet above the sea level and with aspirations of its own to be the centre of mining activity in the great section, we are starting. And all along the rich valley of the Kettle river is being unfolded to the gaze of the passenger. The valuable copper properties of the B. C. Company at Elkhart are worth visiting; there is an immense body of ore, and a friendly mining man tells us it "goes" from 10 to 15 per cent. copper, and 8 to 10 ounces of silver to the ton. Also that 10,000 tons of ore have already been taken out, and he adds sagely, "Oh, yes, you watch our mine. Elkhart will be a wonder." And we believe him.

Here again we find the C.P.R. keenly looking after the development of business, a spur being under construction from the town to the mines. For the B. C. property is not the only one in the camp, and it is believed some are even richer than it has already been proven to be.

But it is getting into the night now and we have yet nine miles to cover before we reach our resting place, Greenwood. And all along the rich valley of the Kettle river, landing the party in the city, which forms the present terminus of the line, just three days after leaving Victoria, and here in Greenwood there is festivity and congratulatory speech-making.

This then is a hurried sketch of the run from Robson to the extreme limit of the Columbia & Western, over a road which must be seen by all who wish to

understand the difficulties of this new aid to the development of the resources of the western province. We learn from those in a position to know that the construction has cost the company five million dollars, and enormous as the sum may seem, it is easy even for the man totally ignorant of railway construction and its cost to believe the statement is well within the mark.

Of the political questions suggested by the construction of the statement that the Corbin agitation forced the hand of the C.P.R., or of the complaint of some of the business men of Boundary that competition is absolutely essential for their welfare, nothing shall be said here. That the construction of the road, has put life into large communities and will inevitably bring fortune to hundreds if not to thousands of those who make their homes in that attractive region cannot be doubted, and when one notes, as the visitor cannot fail to note, the plentifulness of money, the air of prosperity, the happiness characteristic of the men, women and children of Greenwood, it is with a sense of satisfaction that one also notes that the visitors in their turn, some of them men who had been tied to the desk for the better part of a decade, have had their eyes opened in a measure at least, to the vast possibilities of this southern portion of British Columbia.

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Published by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 20, 5 a.m.—The barometric pressure continues high over the Pacific slope, being central between the American ranges. Heavy rain has fallen over the Straits and Sound and the west part of the adjoining states of Washington and Oregon. The temperature has decidedly risen over the Canadian Northwest.

Forecasts.

For 26 hours ending 5 p.m. Thursday.
Victoria and vicinity—East wind and southerly winds, partly fair, with occasional rain.

Lower Mainland—Easterly winds, cloudy, with occasional rain.

Report.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.24; temperature, 44; minimum, 39; wind, 13 miles E.; rain, 15; weather, cloudy.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.23; temperature, 40; minimum, 36; wind, 4 miles E.; rain, 64; weather, cloudy.

Nanaimo—Wind, S. E.; weather, rain.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.24; temperature, 36; minimum, 22; wind, 16 miles E.; weather, fair.

Portland, Oregon—Barometer, 30.46; temperature, 38; minimum, 26; wind, 4 miles N.; rain, 24; weather, rain.

Tacoma—Barometer, 30.40; temperature, 36; minimum, 26; wind, 4 miles S.; rain, 48; weather, rain.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.48; temperature, 38; minimum, 28; wind, 12 miles N. W.; weather, clear, heavy frost.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

—Use Blue Ribbon Flavoring Extracts.

—Please call at Russell's, 134 Douglas street, anytime before 12, and bring the children with you; it will delight them and please you.

—Dandruff, falling hair and baldness cured. Dr. White's Hair Restorer used, Electric Parlor, 114½ Yates street.

—There was only a fair audience last evening in Institute hall when St. Bernard's musical, "The May Queen," was repeated by the Philharmonic Society. Some of the members of the chorus were unable to attend, but the concert was a musical success.

—An important real estate transaction has been consummated by Frank Richards, by which a transfer takes place in the ownership of the Rhode property, at the corner of Second and Commercial streets, where the Lighthouse saloon now stands. The purchaser is John Hepburn, who proposes to replace the present antiquated structure by a modern and up-to-date building of brick and stone.

—This is the evening upon which the concert in aid of the funds needed for the work of carrying on the education of the deaf mutes in the city will be given in A. O. U. W. hall. The programme gives promise of an enjoyable concert, and the object to which the funds will be devoted is one which will appeal strongly to all charitably disposed persons at this glad season of the year.

—The marriage took place at the residence of Father Nickerson on the Esplanade yesterday afternoon of Miss Payette, of Claymont, and J. A. Drake, waterman of the same place. The bride was supported by Miss M. McKenzie, while the groom was attended by Geo. Brown. Dinner followed at the Queen's hotel, where the young couple will make their home until after Christmas, returning before the New Year to their future home in Claymont.

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—As there are so many other things to be done this week, the Native Sons have decided to postpone their monthly social.

—Columbia Lodge, I.O.O.F., meets this evening. The third degree will be conferred and other important business transacted.

—Few men are foolish enough to tell the readers of a great family journal untruths about their goods. If they do they are soon found out. "HONDI" Ceylon Tea is as represented—therefore keep it always before you.

—In preparation for the closing of the schools on Friday morning the scholars have been busy at work decorating the various rooms in the public school buildings, the teachers lending aid and supervision.

—Another Christmas wedding took place yesterday afternoon, Rev. W. Lee, of the Claret performing the ceremony which Major General J. F. Hogan, son of Major-General J. W. Hogan, C.B., of Edinburgh, and Miss Catherine Young, of London, Eng., husband and wife. The wedding took place at the manse of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church.

—Ald. Hayward has offered for competition among the officers of the High School a handsome flag as a trophy. Principal Paul is arranging for the competition to take place on some day during the week, competent judges being secured. Of course there is much rivalry for the possession of this well-desired donation of Ald. Hayward.

—The charitable institutions of the city which are being remembered by the city council and which will receive donations of \$25 each to assist in making Christmas happy for the inmates and others are St. Joseph's hospital, St. Ann's convent, the B. C. Benevolent Society, the B. C. Protestant Orphanage, the Home Nursing Society and the Refuge Home, and not as given in the item published in yesterday's and this morning's Colonist.

—A very commendable plan has just been adopted by the management of the Y.W.C.A. The rooms at the home, 32 Rae street, have been rearranged and furnished with a view to providing comfortable quarters for such young women and girls who desire to have a place to which they may go for lunch when working in the city and too far away from home to be able to take the mid-day meal with their own folk. The matrons will supply lunch or tea when required or the girls may take their own luncheon baskets with them.

—A very enjoyable ball was given last evening in A.O.U.W. Hall under the auspices of the Commodore of the Forest and Court Northern Light, No. 5,395, A.O.F. of 200 people danced until the early hours of the morning to the strains of the Shelby orchestra, and all who attended declared themselves well pleased with all the arrangements. The decorations were on an elaborate scale, the floor carpeted, and the supper well served. A hearty vote of thanks was passed before the company broke up to the committee responsible for the success of the affair, Messrs. Hancock, Henley and Hensky, and Messrs. Selick, Hawkes, Smith and Chislett.

—The attention of all native-born Yorkshire residents of the city, and of the descendants of Yorkshire immigrants is called to the fact that the "Yorkshire Society of British Columbia" has recently been organized and it is desired that as many members as possible shall be obtained within the next few weeks. The objects of the society are purely social, including the holding of typically Yorkshire dinners, and the enjoyment of friendly intercourse among the natives of the many-splendored shire, now resident in the western province. The membership fee is nominal and forms of application for membership may be secured from the secretary, Mr. Herbert Outbath, Tronway avenue, or Langley street; Rev. Canon Beaulieu, Mr. W. P. Winslow, or Henry Hawson, at the Times office.

—The ladies of the Friendly Help are making an urgent appeal to the charitably disposed for assistance in providing the usual amount of Christmas cheer they distribute at this season. They are handicapped this year because of the prohibition of the bringing by the school children of donations to the schools, and ask such of the little ones as desire still to assist in providing a Christmas dinner for some poor people who will not otherwise enjoy one, to bring their gifts to the rooms of the society, in the Market Hall building, where a committee will be in attendance all day to-morrow, Thursday and Friday. The society has the best knowledge of where help is required and any donations entrusted to the ladies will be well and wisely bestowed upon deserving people.

—Received by express at Fit-Reform Wardrobe, three dozen Full Dress Suits and White Dress Vests.

—The action of the Victoria Medical Association in withdrawing from the present arrangements with the different fraternal societies in the city, has rendered necessary some other steps being taken by the organizations interested. Circulars are being prepared calling for a meeting of representatives of the different lodges of the city, to be held early in January, to take the matter into consideration. It is proposed by some of the members of the lodges that the fraternal societies combine and send a delegate to the country for an expert surgeon to take over the large practice among the secret societies which is now divided among the different physicians of Victoria. A similar attempt was made a few years ago by the medical men of Vancouver, with the result that they came back to the old arrangement at a lower rate per capita.

—Lipton's "Finest" hams at Jameson's, 33 Fort St.

—One of the best assorted stocks of toys and fancy goods in the city is to be found at Wilby's Golden Rule Bazaar, Douglas street. They are also showing a fine line of Japanese dolls.

—The regular weekly meeting of the W.C.T.U. will take place on Thursday afternoon at the home, Commercial street. Mrs. Chapman will give a talk on juvenile work.

—Warden Johns went up to New Westminster last night, having in charge the Chinaman who was convicted of theft from the house of Mr. Deans a short time ago.

—Applications for the position of chief of police are not confined to the city and surrounding district. Applications are being received from Brandon, Calgary and as far East as Winnipeg.

—The trial of Quang Wah Sing for the theft of a box of clothing belonging to a fellow countryman has monopolized the attention of the police magistracy all day, and is still proceeding as the Times goes to press. Yoi Abe, the Japanese woman who is accused of stealing money and jewellery from Miss Bishop, was laid over until to-morrow.

—At the meeting of Banner Lodge, No. 6, A.O.U.W., held last night, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: Master Workman, W. R. Atkins; P.M.W., Frank Higgins; Foreman, Harry Ross; Overseer, H. M. Graham; Receiver, H. S. Henderson; Recorder, J. E. Cowan; Financial, A. G. Sargison; and Trustee, A. E. Allen.

—A very large attendance of sympathizing friends attended the funeral of the late E. J. Gray this afternoon. The cortege left the family residence at 2:30 and proceeded to the Centennial Methodist church, where services were conducted by Rev. W. H. Barnacloagh, who also officiated at the cemetery. Much sympathy is expressed for the bereaved widow and family, and the very large number of floral tributes evinced the feeling of sorrow entertained by many of those who were unable to attend the funeral.

—COLES-SCHWENGERS.
The Christmas Season Chosen for a Ceremony in Which Many Victorians are Interested.

Right Rev. Bishop Cridge yesterday afternoon performed the rites of matrimony in the Church of Our Lord (R.L.E.), the principals being Mr. John Howell Coles, second son of John Coles, Esq., of Kensington Park Gardens, London, Eng., a director of the Hudson's Bay Company, and Miss Katherine Bertha Schwengers, eldest daughter of Mrs. Schwengers, of Victoria. The Bishop was assisted by Rev. Dr. Wilson.

The sacred edifice had been decorated very tastefully in preparation for the event, the predominant colors being white, daisy-garlands and holly, a wealth of holly adding the needed touch to remind of the approach of the festive season of Christmas.

The bride, attired in a cream Duchesse satin gown trimmed with embroidered chiffon and orange blossoms, entered the church leaning on the arm of her brother, Mr. Conrad Schwengers. Her ornaments were confined to an opal and diamond ring, and she carried a shower bouquet of white carnations, lilies, the gifts of the groom. Her bridesmaids were the Misses Maude and Ada Schwengers, who wore costumes of cream silk, with chiffon trimmings, and also carried shower bouquets, the gifts of the groom. Mr. Arthur Coles supported his cousin as best man.

As the bridal party entered the church the March of Athalia was played, Mendelssohn's immortal "Wedding March" signalling the conclusion of the ceremony, the service being fully choral.

Driving directly from the church to the residence of the bride's mother, Niagara street, Beacon Hill park, the immediate friends of the family were regaled with a wedding luncheon and later in the evening Mr. and Mrs. Coles took the passage on the steamer for the Mainland, where the first ten days of the honeymoon will be passed. The bride wore a going-away gown of mauve ladies' cloth, with cascade hair. There was a very large collection of handsome and costly presents.

LAW INTELLIGENCE.

Liquidator's Remuneration—New Solicitors and Barristers.

Mr. Justice Drake gave his judgment this morning in the O. E. Goddard Co., winding up case. He allowed the liquidator \$70 per month from the time the order for winding up was made until the date of the transfer of the property. The registrar's order made on the taking of the accounts was varied by reducing the salary paid the liquidator's son from \$15 to \$65 per month.

A special meeting of the Benchers was held this morning for the purpose of declaring the result of the recent examinations in law taken by the Eastern Canadian barristers and solicitors who were applying for call. No results were declared in respect of the preliminary, intermediate or final examinations.

Messrs. Bloomfield, Kennedy, Smith, Hodge, McEvoy, Boak, Pinkham, McIntosh, Appelle and Cullen were admitted as solicitors and Messrs. Bloomfield, Kennedy, Smith, Hodge, McEvoy, Boak and McIntosh were called to the bar. Mr. Hempke presented them to the court, presided over by Mr. Justice Smith, and they took the barrister and solicitor oaths and signed the roll, after which his lordship congratulated them and wished them success in their profession.

Mr. Helmcken on their behalf thanked his lordship, and on behalf of the bar generally wished them the compliments of the season.

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SHIPPING NEWS

HAPPENINGS OF A DAY ALONG THE WATERFRONT.

The immense trade done in Japanese goods at this time of year is shown by the fact that the cargo of 3,000 tons brought by the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, liner Idzumi Maru, which reached the quarantine station last night, and tied up at the outer wharf this morning, was half made up of the little Japanese fruits. Of the cargo of the vessel 1,880 packages of oranges, rice and Chinese and Japanese merchandise, curios, etc., was landed here. The steamer had a very rough trip. She brought four saigon passengers, two missionary families returning from the wilds of China and Tibet. News was given by the missionaries, Messrs. Lagerquist and Simpson, both Teachers of the narrow escape from death at the hands of a riotous mob of a Canadian missionary and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Shields, of Ontario. They were stationed at Poag-nan in Tibet, and a riotous mob who were incited by the Lamas attempted to work their riotous. The Lamas told them the missionaries were responsible for all the trouble that had befallen the village. They were, however, rescued by Chinese officials, who sent them to Kansu province, China, escorted by a band of Chinese troops. They left the station at dawn of night in order to escape the rioters. News was also brought by the steamer of the seizure of the British steamer "Labuan" by the U. S. S. Cassin, for bringing families away from Sulu, one of the new United States possessions, where riotous Moros had committed a number of murders. The Labuan was sent to Manila with a prize crew in charge. British steamer Cheong Kong was seized by Chinese pirates on the West river, north, and then used to pirate a steam launch and a junk.

According to dispatches from San Francisco, the shipping men of that port believe the wreckage passed through by the bark Woolahra, which arrived at Eureka on Monday, was part of the long overdue schooner American Girl, which left San Francisco for the Sound on October 8, the same day as the bark Fortis S. Thompson, which arrived two weeks ago, after one of the longest passages ever made between San Francisco and the Sound. Ordinarily, the trip between San Francisco and the Sound is made by such vessels as the American Girl at this time of year in from seven to fifteen days, but the schooner is now two months and a half out. Her fate has now been generally accepted. She carried a crew of seven men, the only one of whom known to her owners was the master, Capt. Victor Ross. The passage was owned by Albert Bowser, of San Francisco. She had a gross tonnage of 225, was 119 feet long on the keel, 21 feet on the beam and was built in 1875. Although there are some who still hold out hopes that the missing Columbia will yet arrive, these have now thinned down to a very few.

Steamer Unadilla will sail for San Francisco this evening. The following passengers are booked to sail by her: Mrs. J. Conroy, Mrs. A. Holland, Oscar Hoffman, E. B. Laidner, Miss Lee, Miss J. Saunders, Mrs. G. M. Glass, Miss Merriman and Mrs. Hibben.

Steamer Queen City will sail for Cape Scott and way ports on the West Coast to-night. She loaded a large quantity of lumber at Seft's wharf this afternoon.

A dispatch from Yokohama says the R. M. S. Empress of China arrived there at noon yesterday from this port.

Steamer Charming left Vancouver at 1:15 p.m. She connected with the train.

Steamer Danube will sail for Skagway this evening.

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Old Ironsides	108	100
Knob Hill	90	80
Rathmullen	74	6
Stratford & Golden Crown	30	25
Morrison	30	27
Payne	11	27
Athabasca	35	30
Dundee	17	17
Dardanelles	11½	9½
Noble Five	15	12½
Payne	102	102
Humbler Cariboo Coal	68	66½
Wonderful Group	4	2
Gow's Nest Pass Coal	35.75	30.00
Tamarac	12	10½
Republie	108	102½
Dog Trail No. 2	13	12
Romania	14	7
Okanagan	12½	10
Van Anda	5½	5½
Big 3	11	9
Deer Park	2½	1½
Reeling Star	9	8½
Iron Mask	62	50
Honesty	5	3
Montreal Gold Fields	9	5
Monte Christo Con	7	5½
Northern Belle	2	1½
Novelty	2½	1½
St. Paul	2	1
Silver Bell Con	3	2½
St. Elizabeth	5	2½
Victory Triumph	5	2½
Virginia	7	4
War Eagle Con	256	250
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Mr. Tarte

Replies

Minister Denies the Statements Made by the Ottawa Citizen.

And Says He Agrees With His Colleagues in the Cabinet.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Dec. 20.—The Citizen this morning accuses Hon. J. I. Tarte of kicking against the contingent and especially in regard to the matter of 1897. The minister wired his private secretary 40 days as follows:

"Montreal, Dec. 20th. 'F. Gellias, Ottawa:

"You may authorize the newspapers to say that there is not a word of truth in the Citizen's article. I have been confined to my house since Saturday by illness. Sir Wilfrid Laurier was kind enough to come and see me. However, I will be well enough to say a word to-night on the position of the government in reference to the second contingent. I fully agree with my colleagues.

(Signed) J. I. TARTE."

BARON VON HUGEL DEAD.

(Associated Press.)

Montreal, Dec. 20.—Baron Von Hugel, at one time mayor of Port Hope, Ont., and prominently identified with the old Midland railway, now part of the Grand Trunk system, but in later years a resident of this city, died this morning aged about seventy.

His son, Captain Von Hugel, a Canadian and a graduate of Royal Military College, was wounded at the battle of Modder River.

BURIED ALIVE.

Startling Declaration by a United States Doctor.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Dec. 20.—The members of the Academy of Medicine were startled last night by the uncanny declaration of Dr. Henry J. Garigue, who said that out of every 200 coffins put under ground in this country, the occupant of at least one was simply in a lethargic state, and is buried alive.

MUST COME TO CANADA.

(Associated Press.)

Toronto, Dec. 20.—J. M. Quinn, Saginaw, Mich., a big lumber dealer who is in the city to attend the sale of large timber limits today, says Canada has the advantage over every country as far as timber is concerned. He says the United States will want forty-billion feet of lumber next year, and only twenty-six billion are in sight. According to Mr. Quinn the white pine of the United States will be exhausted in seven years if it is cut as at the present rate.

MONTREAL ELEVATORS.

(Associated Press.)

Montreal, Dec. 20.—The injunction taken out on Dec. 8th to prevent the harbor commissioners, granting a charter to Connor's syndicate of Buffalo, N. Y., to erect elevators, at this port, on the ground that the commissioners were only trustees and had no authority to grant the said privilege, was quashed by Judge Pagnoulet this morning.

The syndicate is now free to proceed at once with the work of erection.

THE LEMIEUX CASE.

(Associated Press.)

Montreal, Dec. 20.—Evidence in the Lemieux case was concluded this morning. The address to the jury in English was commenced immediately by M. J. F. Quinn, Q.C., counsel for the defence. Owing to the fact that one of the jury members is unable to understand French, the syndicate is now free to proceed at once with the work of erection.

DUTY ON GASOLINE.

(Associated Press.)

Toronto, Dec. 20.—Managers of gas companies of Ontario are urging the Dominion government to remove the duty of two and a half cents on gasoline in order that the companies may successfully compete against the monopoly of the Standard Oil Trust, which has doubled the price of gas oil within the last year.

SAMOAN AGREEMENT.

(Associated Press.)

Washington, Dec. 20.—The Senate committee on foreign relations today authorized a favorable report upon the proposed agreement with Great Britain and Germany for the dissolution of the tripartite agreement for the control of the Samoan islands.

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MONTREAL MINING STOCK.

Montreal, Dec. 20.—Stock market, morning board: War Eagle, 265 at 250; Payne, 137, 106; Montreal and London, 39, 37; Repulse, 110, 108; Sabre War Eagle, 1,000, 500 at 255; Payne, 500 at 108; Repulse, 500 at 108, 3,000, 1,500 at 100, 100 at 110.

Tumors

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Personal.

Dr. Ernest Hall returned from Vancouver yesterday. P. T. Eaton was a passenger from Vancouver yesterday. Mrs. A. G. Baymell, of San Francisco, is at the Victoria. Geo. Watson and Ed. Gray, mining men of Fort Steele, are registered at Hotel Victoria. W. Laidlaw was a passenger yesterday from Vancouver, where he was successful in putting through a West Coast mining deal. F. Gaudin and wife, Madley, Corcoran, Percy Ward and Fred Thompson, of the Maggie Moore Roberts company, are at the Queen's.

TRADES AND LABOR.

Important Subjects to be Discussed at This Evening's Meeting.

The secretary of the Dominion Trades and Labor Congress has forwarded to the local branch a copy of the following resolution, passed at the last session of the congress, with the request that the same shall be taken under careful consideration and an expression of opinion upon the matter sent to headquarters immediately. The Trades and Labor Council will this evening discuss the resolution, which reads as follows:

"Whereas the various reports from the provinces and from the general executive of the congress are in effect to be that so far as our efforts by petition and interviews with the legislatures of the provinces and with the Federal government of this country, that nothing has been accomplished by the above-mentioned methods; resolved, that this congress recommends that the various central bodies of labor in Canada take such steps to form themselves into political organizations of independent lines from the old capitalistic political parties, and wherever, in the opinion of our central bodies, they are in sufficient numbers to warrant placing candidates in the field that we endeavor to have direct representation in the various houses of parliament on lines similar to the organized workers of Great Britain, British Columbia, New Zealand and Australia, and that hereafter, members of labor organizations found on the platform and advocating the interest of the old political parties be regarded with suspicion, as decoys of the wage earners, and should be regarded as opponents of the advanced labor movement, and that this be submitted to a referendum vote of all of the organizations in affiliation with this congress, and should such a vote be in the affirmative then immediately proceed on the above lines."

In addition to the discussion of this proposed radical departure from existing policy, the council will consider what action, if any, shall be taken by them in regard to the forthcoming municipal elections.

THE BUTTE OF THE NORTH.

Atlin Will Be a Mine of Mining Industry—Many Stamp Mills Going In.

"Atlin, by my notion, as regards Alaska and British Northwest mining, is to be the hot camp of all that section. The coming season will witness the importation of a vast quantity of machinery, including a number of stamp mills. This is the first of the kind, formerly property of the Hotel Northern, of Seattle, express himself in regard to the Atlin district where he has for eight months been engaged in the hotel business and mining ventures, to a Seattle P.C. reporter.

"During the past summer," Mr. Thagard resumed, "some of the best experts of the mining world gave the district a thorough investigation, and they agree that it has more low grade ore and of richer value than the Treadwell. This does not take into consideration the district's hydraulic inducements. The past year demonstrated that many of the claims supposed to be placer are purely hydraulic, and that by such development they can be made to pay handsomely. Atlin suffered from the exclusion act, but it will yet come to the front. Lord Hamilton and his associates, operating as the British-American corporation, which owns the Le Roi in this state, have acquired a great property in the Atlin-Anaconda group. It is simply a great mountain of ore. They are now driving three big tunnels, and will prosecute the work throughout the winter. And it is but a short time since they placed an order for the largest amount of machinery ever given for Atlin, or perhaps any other British Northwest district.

"Col. Pierce, of the Gardiner, Australia, will have a stamp mill in operation of his Willow and Spruce creek properties by the opening of another season.

"The Golden Gate group on Taku lake is almost legendary rich. Though little work has been done, it is nevertheless a fact that ten tons of ore taken at random from these mines averaged \$250 per ton. The ore was shipped over the White Pass to Juneau, where it was treated. Charles Clifford, M. P., John Irving, of Victoria, myself and others, own claims on Taku. The ore to which I am interested has plenty of \$150 ore, and it will no doubt prove richer as we develop it.

"The White Pass road has agreed to transport the product of the Taku mines for a most reasonable figure, but I rather think the ore will be treated by stamp mill on the ground.

Mr. Thagard stated that before he left Atlin two weeks ago 100 hydraulic licenses had been taken out for next season. About 200 people, he says, will winter in the district.

SMALLPOX IN ONTARIO.

(Associated Press.) Toronto, Dec. 20.—The provincial board of health bulletin reports 184 cases of smallpox as having occurred in Essex county. Of these 62 are convalescent, and 122 still sick.

MADE RIVE MILLIONS.

(Associated Press.) New York, Dec. 20.—The World today says James R. Keene cleared \$5,000,000 through the recent stamp in Wall Street.

LABOR LEADER.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 20.—Samuel Gompers has been re-elected president of the American Federation of Labor.

A Bargain Counter just installed by Walter Bros., in rear department of first floor. Many real bargains in china and glass displayed there.

British Casualties

Highland Brigade Losses at Magersfontein—Officers and Their Regiments.

List of Killed and Wounded in the Battle of Tugela River.

The list of casualties in the Highland Brigade at Magersfontein did not give the regiments to which the killed and wounded officers belonged. The following are the officers and their initials:

Killed.
Major-General A. G. Wauchope.
Lieut.-Colonel J. H. C. Coode, commanding 2nd Battalion, Black Watch.
Captain E. G. Elton, 2nd Battalion, Black Watch.
Lieut. N. G. Edmonds, 2nd Battalion, Black Watch.
Capt. J. R. Clark, 2nd Battalion, Seaforth Highlanders.
Lieut. E. Cox, 2nd Battalion, Seaforth Highlanders.
Capt. J. W. A. Cowan, D.S.O., adjutant, 1st Battalion, Highland Light Infantry.
Capt. A. P. Lambton, 1st Battalion, Highland Light Infantry.
Lieut.-Col. G. L. J. Goff, commanding 1st Battalion, Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders.
Major S. I. Robinson, 1st Battalion, Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders.
Capt. A. S. Wignate, 1st Battalion, Gordon Highlanders.
Lieut. W. R. Cowie, 2nd Battalion, Seaforth Highlanders.

Wounded.

Lieut.-Colonel G. T. F. Downman, commanding 1st Battalion, Gordon Highlanders.
Lieut.-Col. H. E. Kelcham, commanding 4th Battalion, Highland Light Infantry.
Major G. G. Duff, second in command 2nd Battalion, Black Watch.
Major T. M. M. Berkeley, 2nd Battalion, Black Watch.
Capt. T. Fetherstonhaugh, 2nd Battalion, Seaforth Highlanders.
Capt. C. E. Noyes, 1st Battalion, Highland Light Infantry.
Capt. A. A. Wolfe-Murray, 1st Battalion, Highland Light Infantry.
Capt. J. Richardson, 1st Battalion, Highland Light Infantry.
Capt. W. Campbell, 1st Battalion, Gordon Highlanders.
Capt. W. E. Gordon, adjutant 1st Battalion, Gordon Highlanders.
Capt. G. R. Macnab, 1st Battalion, Gordon Highlanders.
Lieut. H. P. Beattie, 2nd Battalion, Seaforth Highlanders.
Lieut. J. C. Scott, 1st Battalion, Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders.
Lieut. C. F. Waterhouse, 2nd Battalion, Seaforth Highlanders.

(Many of the above are stated to be dangerously wounded.)
The following officers of the 2nd Black Watch are also reported wounded:
Major N. W. Childers, D.S.O., Capt. A. R. Cameron, Lieut. P. G. Tait, Lieut. W. J. St. J. Harvey, Lieut. H. C. W. Beithon, Lieut. A. G. Wauchope.

The following officers of the Black Watch are also missing:
Capt. the Hon. J. F. T. Cunningham-Bruce, D.S.O., Capt. and Adjutant W. MacFarlane and Lieut. N. Ramsay.

Tugela River Fight.

The following are the officers killed and wounded in the engagement at Tugela River, as reported to London:
The names with an asterisk are not to be found in the army list. It is thought that in some cases the initials may be wrongly copied, and in others that they belong to the Natal Volunteers.

The list has been corrected as far as possible.

Killed.
Capt. A. H. Gifford, 14th Battery R. F. A.
Lieut. C. B. Schreiber, 60th Battery R. F. A.
Major J. F. W. Charley, second in command 1st Battalion, Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers.
Capt. F. C. Loftus, 1st Battalion, Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers.
Capt. A. H. Bacon and Lieut. R. C. P. Henry, 1st Battalion, Royal Dublin Fusiliers.
Capt. M. L. Hughes, Royal Army Medical Corps.
Lieut. C. H. Jenkins, Thorneycroft's Mounted Infantry.
Lieut. the Hon. F. H. S. Roberts, King's Royal Rifle Corps.

Wounded.

Col. N. J. Goodwyn, J. F. Radcliffe, P. L. W. Vickers, Devonshire Regiment; Hon. St. L. H. Jarvis, King's Royal Rifle Corps; Adjutant to Major-General A. Fitz Roy Hart; A. J. Banker, W. F. Henry, H. J. Buckley, J. E. R. Reed, P. S. Lewand, J. E. R. Reed, Royal Irish Fusiliers; H. D. White, Thorneycroft's Mounted Infantry; Lieut. the Hon. F. H. S. Roberts, King's Royal Rifle Corps; Lieut. the Hon. F. H. S. Roberts, King's Royal Rifle Corps; Lieut. the Hon. F. H. S. Roberts, King's Royal Rifle Corps.

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Sporting News.

THE TURF.

SEASON'S WINNINGS.

Thanks to Flying Fox, the Duke of Westminster is again at the head of winning owners, the sum credited to his account being £43,565, which is a substantial increase on the £10,255 carried off by the barons of the "yellow and black" in 1898. The Duke of Westminster had a very bad season in 1897, his horses only appropriating £4,218, but in 1898 the total reached £23,000, and during the last eleven seasons his Grace has won £120,547. This benefit the record, for despite the £78,858 won by Donovan and Company in 1898, the Duke of Portland's winnings in the same number of years amounts to £154,323. In 1896 the Duke of Westminster was first with £24,420. Lord William Bouverie, who, by the way, has won no fewer than 61 races this year—was low down in the list 12 months ago, but with £42,723 is now a very good second. Sir R. W. Griffith is a bad chest with 11,547, then follow Mr. J. de Rothschild, £11,442; Mr. Arthur James, £10,695; Mr. Douglas Baird, £8,381; Prince Soltykoff, £8,177; Mr. Russell, £8,094; Lord Glenmere, £7,070; Duke of Portland, £6,634; Lord Rosebery, £6,378; Mr. T. R. B. Dewar, £6,255; Mr. G. D. Bane, £6,100; Sir J. B. Muir, £6,134; Mr. Wallace Johnstone, £6,108; Lord Durham, £5,716; Duke of Devonshire, £5,242; "Mr. Jersey," £5,067.

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TENDERS.

TENDERS for the supply of refreshments to the Legislative Assembly during the approaching session will be received until the 22nd instant. For particulars apply to the undersigned.

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NEW YORK STOCKS.

Owing to wire trouble we are unable to furnish other than the closing quotations on the New York Stock Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade as follows:

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C. R. & C. 118 1/2

C. M. & St. P. 110 1/2

Massachusetts 91 1/2

Peoples Gas 95 1/2

C. R. J. & P. 104 1/2

American Tobacco 80 1/2

Atchafalca pfd. 58 1/2

Union Pacific pfd. 70 1/2

Tennessee Coal 80 1/2

Atchafalca com. 18 1/2

Louis & Nash 70 1/2

Brooklyn Rapid Transit 65 1/2

Union Pacific com. 43 1/2

American Steel & Wire com. 41 1/2

Federal Steel com. 40 1/2

Chicago Markets.

July Wheat 70 1/2